

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed June 27, 2005, claims 1-2, 4, 7-11, 14-17 and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Woodlief et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,740,851); claim 18 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Woodlief et al. in view of the Admitted Prior Art ("APA"); claims 1-17 and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lundagards (U.S. Patent No. 5,692,722). The foregoing rejections are respectfully traversed.

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1, 4, 8 and 10-11 have been amended and claims 2, 3, 9 and 12 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. The limitations of claims 2, 3, 9 and 12 have been incorporated into independent claims 1 and 8, respectively. Further, support for additional claim amendments can be found at FIGS. 1 and 2 of the present invention.

Claims 1, 3-8 and 10-19 are pending. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Neither Woodlief et al. nor Lundagards, individually or combined, discuss a supporting structure of a refrigerator "wherein the supporting bracket comprises a lower supporting part horizontally extended in a direction away from the base and connected to the support, a side supporting part upwardly extended from the lower supporting part and connected to the side surface of the base, and an upper supporting part bent from the side supporting part to support a lower part of the main body," as recited in amended claim 1.

Further, the APA fails to make up for the deficiencies of Woodlief et al. nor Lundagards, as mentioned above. Therefore, all of the foregoing references, individually or combined, fail to establish a prima facie case of obviousness over the present invention.

Claim 8 has been amended to recite limitations somewhat similar to amended claim 1.

Instead, Woodlief et al. discusses a mounting device for removably attaching a dispensing unit to a support surface. FIG. 6 of Woodlief et al. illustrates a support surface having a mounting plate including two flanges extending upwardly and connecting to a side portions of the dispensing unit. The mounting plate is positioned directly beneath the dispensing unit.

Further, the Applicants respectfully submit that the "upper supporting part" recited in amended claims 1 and 8, further prevents damage of the base by an end part of the side

supporting part. However, in Woodlief et al., the dispensing unit may easily be damaged by end parts of the flanges.

Further, Lundagards discusses a locking device for locking an article to a support member. The locking device includes locking members each positioned underneath the article (see FIG. 2). The locking members include grooves wherein projections are moved into the each groove, respectively.

In addition, the locking members discussed in Lundagards are extended in a direction toward the article, and therefore, the article should be slided to couple with the locking members. Thus, it would be difficult to couple a heavy weight article such as a refrigerator to the locking device of Lundagards.

Moreover, dependent claims 3-7 and 10-19 recite patentably distinguishing features of their own. For example, claim 3 recites "the supporting bracket further comprises an upper supporting part bent from the side supporting part to support a lower part of the main body".

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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